CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: \$R0FUZ0R

Other known title(s): Not stated

OFLC ref: 2000217.000

Medium: Image File

Publisher: Not stated

Country of origin: Not stated

Language: Not applicable

Applicant: Commissioner of Police

Classification: Objectionable.

Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 03 September 2020

Date of direction to issue

a label:

No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: 03 September 2020

Summary of reasons for decision:

The image file is deemed to be objectionable because it promotes and supports the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes under s3(2)(a) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993. The image depicts a teenaged boy performing a sexual act on himself. The image presents teenaged boys as sexually active and aware and encourages the idea that they are appropriate subjects for adult sexual fantasy and desire. Its only likely purpose is the arousal of those with a sexual interest in teenaged boys. The classification of objectionable interferes with the right to freedom of expression set out in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications which promote and support the exploitation of young persons be banned and reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to protect its young and vulnerable members from sexual exploitation.